

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Official Action. The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 7, 11-12, 23-25, 32-33, 49, 51-54, 57-60 and 79-80 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Montellese (U.S. Patent No. 6,281,878).

Claims 2-6, 8-10, 13, 16-22, 26-29, 36, 41, 46, 50, 55-56, 61, 66, 71 and 76 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Montellese, in view of Rafii et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,614,422). Claims 14-15, 30-31 and 62-63 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Montellese, in view of Rafii et al, in further view of Kaelin et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,435,682). Claims 34, 37, 42, 47, 67, 72, and 77 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Montellese, in view of Rafii et al, in further view of Carau (U.S. Patent No. 6,266,048). Claims 38, 43, 48, 68, 73 and 78 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Montellese, in view of Rafii et al, in view of Carau in further view of Nicolas et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,593,944).

Montellese describes an apparatus and method for inputting data including a light sensor positioned to sense light at an acute angle with respect to a reference plane and for generating a signal indicative of sensed light, and a circuit responsive to said light sensor for determining a position of an object with respect to the reference plane.

Rafii et al describes a method and apparatus for entering data using a virtual input device, such as an image of a keyboard, including a sensor capturing three-dimensional positional information as to location of the user's fingers in relation to where keys would be on an actual keyboard.

Kaelin et al describes an image projection system for generating an energy efficient output representative of the desired input image. The image projection system includes a light source positioning device for directing the light from a light source onto a spatial light modulator.

Carau et al describes an improved computer or PDA with a projected display onto a substantially flat, white surface, to create a virtual computer screen display and a projected keyboard to create a virtual keyboard.

Nicolas et al describes a method and an electronic system for viewing a Web-page on a small-sized electronic display device, such as a PDA.

The allowability of claim 85 is noted with appreciation.

Claim 85 has been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims and is therefore allowable.

Claims 1-84 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Applicant reserves the right to pursue the claims as filed in the context of a continuation application.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments, all of the claims are deemed to be allowable. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

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